

AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT			1. CONTRACT ID CODE	PAGE OF PAGES *
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				9B. DATED (SEE ITEM 11) <b>02/11/04</b>
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				10B. DATED (SEE ITEM 13)
CODE		FACILITY CODE		
<b>11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS</b>				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offers <input type="checkbox"/> is extended, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is not extended. Offers must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended, by one of the following methods: (a) By completing Items 8 and 15, and returning <u>1</u> copies of the amendment; (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or (c) By separate letter or telegram which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment numbers. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by telegram or letter, provided each telegram or letter makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and date specified.				
12. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA (If required)				
<b>13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS, IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.</b>				
(✓)	A. THIS CHANGE ORDER IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO: (Specify authority) THE CHANGES SET FORTH IN ITEM 14 ARE MADE IN THE CONTRACT ORDER NO. IN ITEM 10A			
	B. THE ABOVE NUMBERED CONTRACT/ORDER IS MODIFIED TO REFLECT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES (such as changes in paying office, appropriation date, etc.) SET FORTH IN ITEM 14, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF FAR 43.103(b).			
	C. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF:			
	D. OTHER (Specify type of modification and authority)			
E. IMPORTANT: Contractor <input type="checkbox"/> is not, <input type="checkbox"/> is required to sign this document and return _____ copies to the issuing office.				
14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.)				

See Page 2 for Amendment details.

Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in Item 9A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remains unchanged and in full force and effect.

15A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)		16A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print) <b>WILLIAM J. WISE</b>	
15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR  (Signature of person authorized to sign)	15C. DATE SIGNED	16B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  /S/ (Signature of Contracting Officer)	16C. DATE SIGNED <b>05 MAR 2004</b>

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**AMENDMENTS TO THE SOLICITATION**

**RFP No. PR-CI-04-10321, covering the Fire Alarm System Upgrade Project at the U.S. EPA AWBERC Facility in Cincinnati, Ohio, is amended as set forth below. Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of this Amendment No. 1 in accordance with the instructions in Block 11 on page 1 hereof. The due date for receipt of proposals remains unchanged.**

**A. CHANGES TO SOLICITATION/CONTRACT TERMS**

The following clause is added to Section H of the RFP/Contract Schedule:

**H.13 CLEARANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR PROSPECTIVE ON-SITE CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL**

(a) Definitions: For purposes of this clause, "on-site" refers to any federally-owned or leased space and any commercial space primarily occupied by federal workers.

(b) Contractor employees working under this contract who will perform work on-site shall be subject to a background investigation prior to their entry on-site. The Contractor is responsible for conducting the background investigation and for screening unacceptable candidates from the proposed pool of on-site workers. To be valid for this contract, the background investigation must have been performed within the 30 calendar day period prior to the proposed on-site entry date. The Contractor shall maintain records associated with all background investigations and shall make them available for Government review upon demand, including a completed copy of Standard Form 85P, "Questionnaire for Public Trust Positions", for each prospective on-site worker.

(c) Each background investigation shall include the following:

- (1) Reference checks with prior employers for the preceding five (5) years.
- (2) Social Security Number check.
- (3) Criminal background check for the counties and states where the individual actually lived and worked during the previous three years.
- (4) Civil court check for the counties and states where the individual actually lived and worked during the previous three years.
- (5) Motor Vehicle Records check, including driver history and clear license.
- (6) Credit check.
- (7) Drug testing, consisting of a 5-panel screen for amphetamines, marijuana, cocaine, opiates, and PCP.
- (8) Verification that individual meets the education, experience, training, and licensing requirements stipulated in the contract, if applicable.

- (9) Verification that the individual has passed all physical examination requirements stipulated in the contract, if applicable.

(d) The Contractor shall submit a written statement to the Project Officer certifying that the background investigation identified in paragraph (c) above has been completed, and that the individual poses no known risk to other persons or to Government facilities or property. The individual shall not enter the Government facility until the Project Officer notifies the Contractor in writing that site access has been granted. When the Government determines that its needs require a quick response, it may elect to grant temporary site access prior to the completion of the Contractor's full background investigation of certain critical employees. In those instances, the Contractor shall submit to the Project Officer a written certification that, based upon its preliminary screening and background review, the Contractor warrants that the proposed employee is eligible for site access. The certification shall state the scope of the preliminary screening and background check and shall state the date for completion of the full background check required by this clause. In no event shall temporary site access be granted on a recurring basis under this contract.

(e) The Contractor's evaluation of an individual's suitability for site access shall consider the following:

(1) Charges of subparagraphs (i) and (ii) below or criminal convictions for the activities in subparagraphs (iii) through (vi) below may be cause for denial of access to any EPA facility:

- (i) Intentional false or deceptive statements on the Standard Form 85P or on any other documentation associated with the background investigation.
- (ii) Misconduct in prior employment.
- (iii) Criminal, dishonest, infamous, or notoriously disgraceful conduct.
- (iv) Habitual or excessive use of intoxicating beverages.
- (v) Abuse of narcotics, drugs, or other controlled substances.
- (vi) Any other statutory disqualification under Title 18 of the U.S. Code.

(2) The Contractor's assessment of prior misconduct by an individual shall include consideration of:

- (i) The nature and seriousness of the previous misconduct.
- (ii) The circumstances surrounding the previous misconduct.
- (iii) The recentness of the previous misconduct.
- (iv) The age of the applicant at the time of the previous misconduct.

(f) Whenever the Contractor becomes aware that the retention of an employee for on-site work

under this contract poses an unacceptable risk, the Contracting Officer shall be notified immediately, and the employee shall be immediately removed from the site and replaced with a qualified substitute, subject to the background investigation requirements of this clause.

(g) The Contractor shall insert the provisions of this clause in all subcontracts under this contract, and shall require subcontractors to include these terms in any lower tier subcontracts. The Contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the provisions of this clause.

## **B. CHANGES TO SPECIFICATIONS AND DRAWINGS**

### **SPECIFICATIONS**

Item #1 - Section 01040 - Project Coordination, Article 1.02:

Delete Paragraph E.

Item #2 - Section 01500 - Temporary Facilities and Use of Construction Site , Article 1.08, Paragraph A, delete the paragraph and add the following:

Only the Lead Contractor's foreman shall be permitted to park in the west employee parking lot. All other Lead Contractor employees and all Sub-Contractor employees must park off site.

Item #3 - Section 01540 - Safety, Article 1.01, Paragraph D:

Delete the last sentence.

Item #4 - Section 16720 - Fire Alarm/Civil Defense System, Article 3.01:

Add the following to Paragraph C:

Installation of manual pull stations utilizing the existing pull boxes shall be made at the end of the project. These manual pull stations must be installed between 6:00 pm Friday evening and 6:00 am Tuesday morning during a three (3) day holiday and the entire system must be tested and operational by Tuesday morning.

Item #5 - Section 16720 - Fire Alarm/Civil Defense System:

Delete Article 3.05.

Item #6 - Section 16720 - Fire Alarm/Civil Defense System, Article 4.01:

Add the following Article 3.08:

Electrical Contractor shall install a label on all addressable devices. Label shall be made with a label maker using a white background with 1/4" high black letters. Label shall indicate the address of the device.

**Item #7 - Section 16950 - Direct Digital Control System:**

All points for the following units are existing in the JCI Metasys. Correct operation must be verified:

AC-1, AC-2, AC-3, AC-4, AC-5, AC-6, AC-7, AC-8, HV-1, HV-2, HV-3, V-1 and V-2.

Delete the points specified for the following AC units:

AC-9, AC-13, AC-18, AC-19, AC-22, AC-30, AC-55 and AC-56.

Add one (1) DI point for new smoke detector associated with BF-10.

**DRAWINGS**

**Item #1 - Sheet E-1.1, Specific Note #1, change to read:**

Existing fire alarm panel to be removed after all other work is completed. Remove all conduit and wiring not used in final arrangement. Patch and paint wall to match existing finish. Simplex shall correct notation for Zone 35 flow switch from "Computer Room" to "Library Upper Level". Reconnect zone indication of existing Full Containment Building. Reconnect operation of site security gates through access security system.

**Item #2 - Sheet E-1.1, Specific Note #2, change to read:**

Existing fire alarm panel to be removed. Install new fire alarm panel in same location. Remove all conduit and wiring not used in final arrangement. Patch and paint wall to match existing finish. Electrical Contractor shall install temporary relays to keep the existing bell system operating correctly until the new fire alarm system is fully operational. Transfer three (3) 110 volt door magnet circuits and three (3) 110 volt smoke detector circuits from the removed panel to the new fire alarm panel.

**Item #3 - Sheet E-1.1, Specific Note #3:**

Delete note.

**Item #4 - Sheet E-1.1, Second Basement Note C:**

In last sentence delete the following: "existing JCI Metasys system and".

**Item #5 - Sheet E-1.1, Second Basement:**

Bell located on Equipment Room side of Control Room (north angled wall) shown to be removed shall remain. Bell is for notification of Boiler Room operator when a fire alarm signal comes from the Full Containment Building.

**Item #6 - Sheet E-1.1, First Basement Note B:**

Add one (1) heat detector in each of the following rooms: B71, B77 and B79.

Item #7 - Sheet E-1.1, First Basement Note B:

In last sentence delete the following: "existing JCI Metasys system and".

Item #8 - Sheet E-1.2, Ground Floor Note B:

In last sentence delete the following: "existing JCI Metasys system and".

Item #9 - Sheet E-1.2, Ground Floor Note B:

In Room G45 demolish existing bell.

Item #10 - Sheet E-1.2, First Floor Note B:

In last sentence delete the following: "existing JCI Metasys system and".

Item #11 - Sheet E-1.2, First Floor:

Delete strobe in Room 137-139.

Item #12 - Sheet E-1.2, First Floor:

Add demolition of manual pull station at east door of interior east mechanical chase and east door of north corridor east tower, outside of Room 170. Relocate manual pull station shown at north end of corridor outside Room 168 to the west side of the east door of north corridor east tower, outside of Room 170.

Item #13 - Sheet E-1.2, First Floor:

Add smoke detector and strobe in Room 160.

Item #14 - Sheet E-1.3, Third Floor:

Add speaker/strobe in Room 382.

Item #15 - Sheet E-1.3, Third Floor:

In Room 345 demolish existing bell.

Item #16 - Sheet E-1.3, Third Floor:

In room just south of Service Elevator #5, install new duct type smoke detector with duct sampling tube (field verify tube length) in discharge of existing supply fan BF-10. Interlock with fan wiring to shut fan down upon sensing products of combustion. Extend new conduit and wiring for connection to existing JCI Metasys and new fire alarm panel.

Item #17 - Sheet E-1.4, Fourth Floor and Library Mezzanine, Note B:

In last sentence delete the following: "existing JCI Metasys system and".

Item #18 - Sheet E-1.4, Fifth Floor, Note B:

In last sentence delete the following: "existing JCI Metasys system and".

Item #19 - Sheet E-1.4, Sixth Floor, Note B:

In last sentence delete the following: "existing JCI Metasys system and".

Item #20 - Sheet E-1.5, Roof, Note D:

In last sentence delete the following: "existing JCI Metasys system and".

Item #21 - Sheet E-1.6, Site Plan:

Delete note regarding all smoke detectors to be high temperature smoke detectors.

Item #22 - Sheet E-1.6, Site Plan, add the following:

Underground conduit installation on north side of building near existing outdoor air intakes must be coordinated with installation of new protective fencing around the outdoor air intakes. Underground conduit installation on east side of cooling tower enclosure must be coordinated with installation of new perimeter wall installation. Installation of all underground conduits to be coordinated with existing utilities. All existing underground utilities must be located before digging.

**C. RECORD OF ORGANIZED SITE VISIT CONDUCTED ON 2/25/2004**

1. Opening Comments by Evelyn Toro:

- a. Summary of work associated with the project was outlined.
- b. It was mentioned that price and past performance are the principal evaluation factors under this solicitation, and these two factors are approximately equal in importance for purposes of proposal evaluation. Initial proposals must include past performance information as specified in Section M and Attachment 4 of the solicitation.
- c. All new conduit shall be installed as close to corridor walls as possible. Conduit installation shall be installed so as not to interfere with future project to replace the supply ductwork, currently installed above the corridor ceiling.

2. Questions:

Question 1: Is there a possibility of doing this work on 3<sup>rd</sup> shift?

Answer: Yes, if the alternate bid is accepted.

Question 2: What is the period of performance for the contract?

Answer: 12 months.

Question 3: When is the anticipated start date for this project?

- Answer: The government is hoping to award and give notice to proceed by late April.
- Question 4: Are there remote locations and are they shown on the drawings?  
Answer: Yes, Drawing E-1.6.
- Question 5: Is the old conduit and wiring to be removed by the Electrical Contractor?  
Answer: All wiring shall be removed. All exposed conduit and raceway shall be removed. Except for drywall or plaster ceilings all conduit and raceway above ceilings shall be considered exposed.
- Question 6: Can the existing fire alarm panel on the south wall of the control room be removed?  
Answer: See Items 1 and 2 of the Drawing portion of this addendum.
- Question 7: Is the Annex fire alarm system to tie into this new system?  
Answer: Yes, but under a separate contract.
- Question 8: Is the Electrical Contractor responsible for removing, storing and replacing the existing ceiling?  
Answer: Yes. The majority of the ceilings are lay in, except there are some areas which have spline ceilings, ie. Library.
- Question 9: Are there any secured areas?  
Answer: Yes, this will be addressed in the section of the addendum titled Questions Asked by Contractors Post Pre Bid Meeting.
- Question 10: What will happen with access to the AWBERC facility and outer buildings if the threat level is elevated to High Threat Alert?  
Answer: At this time that is not known, the issue will be dealt with if it does occur.
- Question 11: How should Contractor coordinate future site visits?  
Answer: Contact Evelyn Toro (513-569-7500), EPA On-Site Representative.

**D. ADDITIONAL POST-SITE-VISIT QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

- Question 1: Who is the elevator maintenance contractor?  
Answer: Thyssen Krupp, contact Derrick Reed.
- Question 2: Who is the direct digital control contractor?  
Answer: Johnson Controls, contact Brian Baladge.
- Question 3: Who performs the maintenance on the flow and tamper switches?  
Answer: EPA's maintenance contractor, DCT.
- Question 4: Why are you calling for the wiremold to be painted?  
Answer: Per the manufacturer it was less expensive to paint in the field than to order small quantities to be painted. The wiremold in the rooms or corridors will not be painted. Wiremold to be painted is in areas where the wall color is different than the standard off white wall color.



Question 5: Contract calls for tamper and flow switches, who provides and installs them?

Answer: All tamper and flow switches are existing and shall be made addressable by the installation of a ZAM or IAM.

Question 6: Where are bid forms?

Answer: On the following EPA website: [www.epa.gov/oam/cinn\\_cmd](http://www.epa.gov/oam/cinn_cmd)

Question 7: Are there any secured areas?

Answer: Yes per the following:

Animal Area (Rooms 733 through 761): Coordinate dates and times of work with animal area contractor thru the EPA On-Site Representative at least two (2) weeks in advance. Depending on the experiments at the time protective gear (safety glasses, Tyvek overalls, surgical mask) may be required to be worn by the Electrical Contractor. EPA will provide the protective gear to the Electrical Contractor.

Biocontainment Suite (All rooms west of the west corridor on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor): Coordinate dates and times of work with Biocontainment Suite contractor thru the EPA On-Site Representative at least two (2) weeks in advance. Best time for access is during the quarterly preventive maintenance period. Depending on the experiments at the time protective gear (safety glasses, Tyvek overalls, surgical mask) may be required to be worn by the Electrical Contractor. EPA will provide the protective gear to the Electrical Contractor. Protective gear will not be required if work is performed during the quarterly preventive maintenance period.

Roof: Access will be by ID access only, which will be provided to the contractor. The records storage area on the roof is also a secure area. Coordinate dates and times of work within fenced records storage areas with IRMD through the EPA On-Site Representative at least two (2) weeks in advance.

Boiler Room: Access is controlled in the elevator by a key. Contractor will be issued a key.

Homeland Security Offices (Rooms 160 through 168): Coordinate dates and times of work within the Homeland Security Offices thru the EPA On-Site Representative at least two (2) weeks in advance.

Computer Area (308 Suite of Rooms): Only Room 308S requires EPA IRMD employee to stay with the Electrical Contractor at all times while they are working in that room. Coordinate dates and times of work with IRMD thru the EPA On-Site Representative at least two (2) weeks in advance. Computer area access will be by ID access only, which will be provided to the contractor.

– End of Amendment No. 1 –

Attachment: Attendance Sheet for Organized Site Visit (separate pdf file)

